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Welcome to your new
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34th Legislative District

Here To Serve You

Your new Legislative District

Hello, I'm Rep. Joe McDermott. The new Legislative District boundaries that put you in the 34th Legislative District also gave me the honor to serve as your State Representative. I'm writing to welcome you to the new district, share a little about myself, and tell you how you can reach me quickly when:

- You have questions or comments about state issues or legislation,
- You have an idea for a new law,
- You have a problem with a state agency,
- You just need help, but aren't sure where to turn.

My Legislative Responsibilities

As Vice-Chair of the House Education Committee, my highest priority is to ensure quality education for all our children. Being a member of the State Government and Agriculture & Natural Resources committees will also help me work effectively for our district's commitment to government reform and protecting our environment.

Keeping in touch

By working together, we can make sure our community's needs are heard by the Legislature. You can help me represent our area effectively by letting me know *your* ideas and priorities. If you're having a problem with a state agency, I want to know that too. I'll do my best to help.

My assistant, Matt Judge, is also here to work with you. We're committed to being responsive, swift and professional when serving you!

How you can reach me quickly:

E-mail: mcdermot_jo@leg.wa.gov
Toll-free legislative hotline: 1-800-562-6000.
Hearing-impaired hotline: 1-800-635-9993
Direct office phone: (360) 786-7952
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My Priorities for 2003

Joe McDermott's priorities for 2003

- **Improving our public schools**
Education and strong values are the keys to success in life. As the Vice-Chair of the Education Committee, I will continue working for education funding and reforms – and measurable progress – to build confidence in the ability of our schools and children to reach higher standards of learning and graduate with the skills necessary for success in life.
- **Smart budgeting**
Solving the budget deficit will be hard. But we must remember that helping our most vulnerable citizens and funding education are priorities, especially when times are hard. I urge you to contact me with your thoughts about solving Washington's budget problems.
- **Fixing transportation**
I strongly believe the Legislature should have the courage to enact a transportation funding solutions this session – without waiting six months for a public vote. Finding funding for the Alaskan Way Viaduct and passenger-only ferries are high priorities that can't wait.
- **Protecting our environment**
I will continue my efforts to reduce arsenic, mercury and other toxic threats to Puget Sound. I'm also working to protect Vashon-Maury Island from the threat of gravel-mining.
- **Banning smoking in public places**
I'm working hard to ban smoking in public places such as restaurants and bars. Employee health is being harmed and other states have proved this helps businesses as well as protecting the health of employees and the public.

Let Me Know...

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You can help me serve you effectively by telling me what's on your mind – please don't hesitate to contact me!
This pre-addressed tear-off card will come directly to me. Just place a stamp on it and drop it in the mail!

Dear Joe:



Sincerely,
address:
phone:
e-mail :